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PRIZES~~~~~PRIZES~~~~~PRIZES

PROMPTNESS PRIZE - 1944-S WALKER

GRAND PRIZE - 1/10 OZ GOLD COIN

1921-S SILVER DOLLAR	1890 SILVER DOLLAR	1910 BARBER DIME
1906-O BARBER HALF		1916 BARBER QUARTER
1943 WALKER HALF		1944 WALKER HALF
MOOSE CLUB	GF 12 1/2 CENTS IN TRADE	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
RILEY'S PLACE	GF 5 CENTS IN TRADE	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
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RUMPH'S	GF 5 CENTS IN TRADE	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
FISHER DAIRY	ALUM SQUARE	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
MARONI CO-OP	GF 10 CENTS IN MERCHAN	MARONI, UTAH
MAGNA POOL HALL	GF 5 CENTS IN TRADE	MAGNA, UTAH

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

APRIL 2001

SPRING IS HERE!!!!

HELLO AGAIN, WELL I HOPE YOU ARE OUT HUNTING BETWEEN STORMS LIKE ME BECAUSE THE GROUND IS JUST RIGHT FOR DIGGING UP COINS AND TOKENS. I HOPE TO SEE YOU OUT AT THE CLUB HUNTS WITH THIS MONTHS AT IOSEPA IN SKULL VALLEY. THIS HUNT IS JUST ON SATURDAY ONLY NOT ON SUNDAY. LAST TIME WE HUNTED THERE WE FOUND A FEW GOOD COINS WITH ABOUT 26 PEOPLE SHOWING UP SO COME OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN. IT IS THIS SATURDAY THE 21ST SO I WILL SEE YOU THERE.

THIS MONTHS MEETING IS ON THE 26TH AT 7:00 PM AND WILL HAVE DR. STEVE LACY SPEAK TO US. STEVE IS THE AUTHOR OF THE BOOK THE LAST OF THE BANDIT RIDER'S, THE MATT WARNER STORY SO COME HERE AND SEE SOME GREAT ITEMS THAT HE WILL BRING.

NEXT MONTH'S HUNT WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE MEETING BECAUSE WE ARE STILL WORKING ON GETTING US ON AT TRACY WIG WAM TO HUNT SO PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT OUR CLUB. SEE YA AT THE NEXT MEETING

PRES. REX LANG

Rare Social Wars Denarius



942. The Social War. Coinage of the Marsic Confederation. C. Papius Mutilus. 90 BC. AR Denarius (3.74 gm). Helmeted head of Roma right, wreath behind / The Dioscuri on horseback riding away from one another. Campana 4 (D3/R4); Sydenham 635. Heavily toned, near EF/EF. Rare. (\$3000)

The revolt against Rome of her Italian allies (*socii*, hence 'Social War') broke out toward the close of the year 91 BC and was the culmination of longstanding grievances occasioned by the Senate's inept handling of foreign relations. The Marsi were especially prominent in this movement, hence the name 'Marsic Confederation' which is often applied to the rebel state. The coinage of the Marsic Confederation is of great interest, consisting of silver denarii, some of which bear the names of the rebel generals. This exceptional specimen records a certain Gaius Papius (Mutilus), consul of the rebel state and commander of the Samnite forces. Mutilus' army suffered heavy casualties while fighting Sulla in the later stages of the war.

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HIGH GRADE SEGS-CERTIFIED 1884-S DOLLAR



333 1884-S SEGS graded Mint State 64. Light, uneven golden russet and purple gray toning with minor luster breaks in the hair at the ear and some small abrasions and hairlines in the fields. For some reason, 1884-S hasn't the vibrant luster and freedom from marks as do the San Francisco Morgan Dollars struck from 1878 to 1883. This has always been a problem with the grading services, and collectors frequently must wait for years before finding just the right coin. Also, there are a good many "slider" 1884-S dollars parading around as Mint States, which compounds the problem.

Estimate: \$10,000-\$14,000

WAGON MASTERS REPORT

CATEGORY	WINNER	ITEM
U.S. COIN	DAVE ROWELL	1908 BARBER DIME
FOREIGN COIN	REX LANG	MEXICAN COIN
TOKEN	TYREE LAMPH	WALLSBURG MERC. GF 10 C
JEWELRY	TYREE LAMPH	GOLD PLATED RING
ARTIFACT	PHILIP YADANZA	BRASS BELL
BUTTON	BILL GLODOWSKI	MILITARY BUTTON
MARBLE	REX LANG	OX BLOOD
NON-METAL	DAVE ROWELL	PERFUME BOTTLE
OLDEST U.S.COIN	DAVE ROWELL	1887 "V" NICKEL
OLDEST U.S. CENT	CHRIS BENSON	1850 LARGE CENT
MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN	RALPH GOLD	1916-S MERCURY DIME
PEOPLES CHOICE BOTTLE	DAVE ROWELL	GRAY HAIR BOTTLE
TREASURE HUNTER OF THE QUARTER		

TABULATIONS FOR THE "FIND OF THE MONTH"

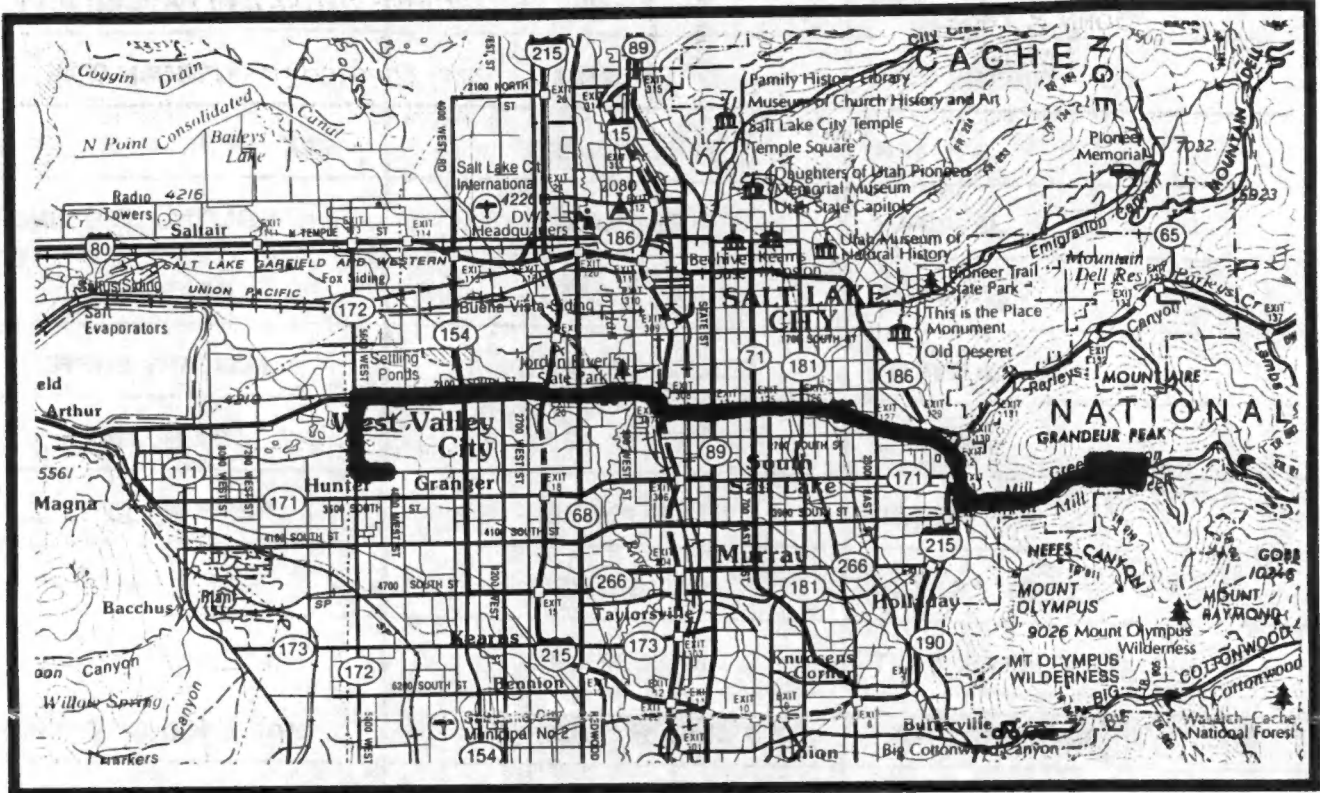
PLACE ENTRIES TOTAL POINTS

(1)	TYREE LAMPH	34	79
(2)	DAVE ROWELL	32	63
(3)	REX LANG	27	53
(4)	BILL GLODOWSKI	21	40
(5)	GARY HERTAL	13	37
(6)	CHRIS BENSON	16	16
(7)	RALPH GOLD	10	14
(8)	DUSTIN WINEGAR	3	6
>>>	PHILIP YADANZA	6	6
(9)	NATHAN GOLD	5	5
>>>	JULIE GOLD	5	5
(10)	JEREMY SWAIN	3	3
>>>>	KAREN SECOR	3	3

CLUB HUNT

MAY 19 TH 2001

TRACY WIGWAM BOY SCOUT CAMP



TRACY WIGWAM BOY SCOUT CAMP

MAKE LEFT ONTO 3100 SOUTH AND GO WEST, MAKE RIGHT ON 5600 WEST AND GO NORTH. GO ONTO 201 FWY AND TRAVEL EAST BOUND TO US 80 EAST. PRECEED TO BELT ROUTE AND GO SOUTH AND GET OFF ON 3300 SOUTH. AT STOP LIGHT MAKE A LEFT AND PRCEED OVER FWY AND MAKE A RIGHT AT STOP LIGHT, AT NEXT STOP LIGHT MAKE A LEFT WHICH IS EAST MILL CREEK CANYON ROAD, PRECEED ABOUT 2-3 MILES UP CANYON TO THE BOY SCOUT CAMP AND LOOK FOR SIGNS.

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CLUB HUNTS 2001

Howdy All,

We plan to have some great club outings this year. All club members and their families are invited to participate. Some of these digs will be on privately owned property, by permission. Please remember to **FILL YOUR DIG HOLES** and carry out your trash. Most of these are set, any changes will be posted in the monthly newsletter, prior to the hunt. If you have any questions, ask the NUTS club officers. The hunts planned are as follows:

MARCH 10-11.....	LUCIN,UTAH
APRIL 21-22.....	IOSEPA,UTAH
MAY 19.....	TRACY WIGWAM BOY SCOUT CAMP.UTAH
JUNE 22-23.....	SUNSHINE,UTAH
JULY14-15.....	SILVER CITY AND TINTIC MINING AREA,UTAH
AUGUST 17-18.....	PIEDMONT, WYOMING
SEPTEMBER 21-22.....	FISH SPRINGS,UTAH

Some of these places are in somewhat remote areas, and far enough away so you may want to make plans to stay overnight - bring water,drinks and food. Bug repellent and a first-aid kit are not a bad idea. and most importantly - remember extra batteries for your metal detector!!! H ave fun and find something GREAT this year!

WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT - THE NUTS CLUB OFFICERS-2001

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NATIONAL UTAH TOKEN SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP WAIVER

I HAVE BEEN GIVEN PERMISSION BY THE UTAH NATIONAL TOKEN SOCIETY TO ACCOMPANY THEM ON RECREATIONAL EXCURSIONS. I AGREE THAT I AM PARTICIPATING IN THESE EXCURSIONS OF MY OWN FREE CHOICE AND THAT I AM NOT GIVING THE SOCIETY ANY CONSIDERATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.

I, WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONSEQUENCES, HEREBY WAIVE ANY CLAIM FOR INJURY, THEFT, LOSS OR ANY OTHER DAMAGE WHATSOEVER TO ME OR TO A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY, EXCEPT THAT WHICH MAY RESULT FROM WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, AND IN THE EVENT ANY CLAIM MADE AGAINST THE SOCIETY BY ME, OR RESULTING FROM MY PARTICIPATION ON THE EXCURSION, I AGREE TO HOLD SAID SOCIETY HARMLESS AND WILL INDEMNIFY IT AND ITS MEMBERS FOR ALL COSTS AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING LEGAL FEES, INCURRED BY THE SOCIETY AND ITS MEMBERS.

DATED _____ AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

WITNESS

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Beginner's Luck or A Best Kept Secret? California Beaches.

My wife Alice and I had been discussing renting a condominium in southern California because of the harsh winter around Salt Lake Valley this November. She called a lady, from whom we had rented a condo several years before, to inquire about the cost for one week. She was told that a two-bedroom condo a half block from the beach would be \$650.00 for the week but if we rented it in January 2001, which is the off-season, we could have it for a month for \$1,200.00. I remembered the temperature in southern California along the beach usually ranges from 50 to 65 degrees in the day and gets down to about 40 to 45 at night during January. I told my wife to make the arrangements to rent the condo.

We arrived at the condo in Oceanside, California on Saturday, January 6, 2001 about 4:00pm and I immediately went down to the beach to look around and get a lay of the land/water. It had been stormy in southern California, the day was overcast and there were stiff winds blowing in off the ocean. As I surveyed the beach I noticed a man swinging a metal detector about two blocks down the beach to the south. I pondered whether or not to walk down the beach to where he was hunting and try to engage him in conversation about the principles of beach hunting. I know some people do not like to be bothered but I had never hunted a beach and would welcome any information I could get which would help me get started. I decided the worst that could happen is he would not give me the time of day but I could at least watch him for a while and maybe pick up some pointers that way. So, I headed down the beach toward him.

When I got to within about 100 feet of him, I sat down on one of the large rocks lining the beach to watch him for a few minutes. He was in his mid 30's, about 5' 10", slim but muscular build, and moving faster than any treasure hunter I had ever seen. He would walk rapidly down the beach in a weaving pattern between the surf and the rocks swinging his detector from side to side very rapidly. He would slow down and tighten his pattern if he dug a good target. I walked over closer to him after observing him for about 10 minutes and noted that he was using a Pulse Induction detector.

He soon noticed that I was following and observing him. He stopped hunting, took off his headset and asked if he could help me with something. I introduced myself, told why I had been watching him and asked if he could give me some pointers on beach hunting. He said he would be happy to do so and we talked for about 30 minutes. The following is a summary of the things he told me:

1. The best time to hunt is right after a storm. That is why he was on the beach that day. He said the hunting was usually very productive for the first few days after most good storms but would taper off as each day went by until you would find very few good targets.
2. You need a good PI machine or at least one with a saltwater mode such as the Fisher CZ6a or CZ20. He explained there is a lot of black sand on that beach which causes most detectors to be very unstable. I told him I had brought my CZ6a with me and would try it.
3. You need a good sand scoop with at least a 15-inch handle to dig for the targets. I told him I did not have one but would get one.
4. You dig all targets that have any indication at all of being something other than iron because gold jewelry can range anywhere from tin foil to silver depending on size and composition.
5. Most of the targets you dig will be small pieces of iron, pull-tabs, lead fishing sinkers, and small pieces of metal trash. Most of these will be crusted with black sand and salt.
6. Most of the coins you dig will be modern coins and these will be crusted with black sand and salt, especially the zinc pennies. He told me that occasionally, after a really big storm removes most of the sand from the beach, you find silver coins.
7. Silver coins and jewelry, which have been lost for any length of time, will be black.
8. Gold will come out of the sand looking almost like it does in the jewelry store counter. He thinks this is because gold does not corrode and the action of the surf and sand polish it. He said you will be finding coins, silver jewelry, lead fishing sinkers, etc. but no gold. Then when you think it will never happen, a gold ring appears in your scoop. He said he had not found any gold for about two weeks.
9. The best time each day to hunt is during low tide. There is more beach exposed and more area to hunt.

It was about 5.30pm when I returned to the condo and told my wife about my visit with the treasure hunter. We determined that it was too late that day to locate a store with treasure hunting supplies so we waited until Monday to find one and buy me a sand scoop. It had stormed again on Sunday and I was ready to hit the beach on Monday afternoon when we returned from buying the sand scoop. However, low tide had passed for the day and the water was almost up to the large rocks which had been placed all along the beach to keep the surf from washing beach houses away. We spent the rest of the afternoon planning what we were going to do over the remainder of the month and scheduling time for me to metal detect on the beach. Members of our family were scheduled to stay with us at the condo for 3 to 4 days over the next two weekends and my wife had an agenda of places she would like to visit in San Diego and Hollywood. During the remaining time at the condo, I was able to hunt the beach about 15 days for 2 to 3 hours per day during low tide. I estimate my actual hunting time was between 40 and 45 hours.

For the first three days I hunted, I found lots of new coins, lead fishing sinkers, and trash. I found one foreign coin, a 1996 Canadian two-dollar bimetal. I found two silver rings but no gold. I was getting discouraged, wondering if I would ever see the flash of gold. I tried to console myself by thinking of the old saying, "even a blind squirrel finds an acorn once in a while".

On the fourth day out, I was hunting a pattern from the water to the rocks and finding the usual targets. I was finding most of the coins in an area about half way between the water and the rocks. I began to wonder if it was worth covering the areas not producing signals but decided to stay with my pattern as I had found one more silver ring. Then it happened. I was about three feet from the rocks and got a signal that registered foil on the meter. I took out a couple of scoops of sand and checked the hole. The signal was still in the hole. As I removed the third scoop of sand I looked in the bottom of the hole and there was a bundle of rings gleaming gold. I thought it must be recently lost costume jewelry because there were several rings held together with a strap. I removed the rings from the hole and brushed the sand off. There were six rings. As I examined them more closely, I could see something stamped on the strap. I looked at the strap through my loupe and could see 14k. I had found my first gold. Just like the treasure hunter I had met on the first day said, gold comes out of the sand gleaming like you see it in the jewelry store showcase.

Finding gold rejuvenated my desire to continue detecting. Over the next ten or eleven days I searched the beach I found the following:

- 1) 216 U. S. Pennies;
- 2) 38 U. S. Nickels;
- 3) 47 U. S. Dimes;
- 4) 33 U. S. Quarters;
- 5) 3 foreign coins – the Canadian \$2.00 mentioned above, a 1998 Mexican 10 peso bimetal, and a 1987 British twenty pence;
- 6) 10 pieces of silver jewelry – seven rings, one heart locket, one St. Christopher medal, and an 18-inch chain – all of the jewelry was marked 925 or sterling; and
- 7) 9 gold rings – six tied together with a small strap, one plain gold band, one gold band with a 20 point diamond, and one small ring with a cat face and two small diamonds for eyes – all of the rings were stamped 14k.

I don't know whether this is beginners luck or a typical 40 hours at a California beach but I intend to go back next year and try again. I already have the condo rented for a month.

Christian Benson